

TRICKS AND TREATS

For Members of the Columbia Duplicate Bridge Club

(The calendar is On-line at columbia.bridge-club.org.)

The May Birthday party was a 10 ½ table Charity game. Seemed like everyone was in the mood for a good time. Love those deviled eggs and taco salad...too bad I have to skip cake. The game went down to the last round but Joyce and I held our lead (62%) by the thinnest margin against a really game try by Bel and Mary Ann Cross.

N/S	10 ½ tables Charity game	E/W	
1) Bel and Mary Ann Cross	133.88	Patrick and Joyce Lauterbach	134.0
2) Margaret Hill/Fran Jenkins	122.63	Carolyn and Lewis Cromer	122.0
3) Linda York/Ed Scheiblich	121.50	Al Kirkland/Henry Momand	113.5
4) Tom Balcerk/Abduhl Ghaffar	120.94	Zan Edmunds/Frazer McCrorey	109.5
5) Bob and Sally McCardle	116.00	Phil Mixson/Jay Jacobs	109.0

June 7 is our next Birthday party. Those with June birthdays play free and get a special treat- That is the date of the **Simultaneous Pairs** event-still the same \$7 entry. Analysis books with Frank Stewart available after the event. This comes around once a year-don't miss it!

Winners in the May 1, 8 is enough teams game (9 teams):	wins	Victory pts.	Master pts.
1-2) Jack Self/Mike Bitonti/Mirza Baig/Bruce Kenner	2	48	.88
1-2) Brent Holcomb/Susan McFadden/Sallie Blackwell/T.Gabriel	4	48	.88
3) Patrick Lauterbach/Chuck Kennedy/Bel and Mary Ann Cross	1	47	.56
0-300) Sally McCardle/Shelby King/Dot Jones/Beth McMaster	3	48	.24

No-that is not a misprint! My team did only win one match-and lost the other three by a total of 4 IMPs thus scoring 9 Victory points in each of those matches. Brent's team did win all four but not by much. Jack split the difference. We had three teams in the 0-300 won by Sally's team- we will run a 0-300 Swiss section any time we can get 3 or more 0-300 teams.

Winners in the May 8, 8 is enough:

1) Brent Holcomb/Sallie Blackwell/Tom Gabriel/Susan McFadden	3.5	50	1.84
2) Sylvia White/Chuck Kennedy/Bel and MaryAnn Cross	2	45	1.38
3-4) Irene Fields/Judy Sellers/Pat and Bob Webb	1	44	.91
3-4) Harold Moore/Ken Fasching/Ed and Sheelagh Young	2.5	44	.91

Yes, the Fields team only won one match. The results from these two weeks point up the difference between tactics and strategy. You get one bad result in a match, don't try nearly impossible tactics to get it back. Save as many Victory points as possible and try to be in a position to still win the event (like my team on the 1st and Irene's on the 8th) if you can just win the last round. (which unfortunately neither of us did-but we could have)

June starts North American Pairs qualifying. Play as many qualifying rounds as you like over the next 3 months. Two NAP games for each sanctioned session every month!

Congratulations!! Jr. Master Pam Harpootlian, Francis McMeekin, Linda Mitchell, JoAnn Olson Sectional Master Dorothy Jones

Don Keisler called today to let us know that **Roni Keisler**, long-time member of CBC, died Sunday night. They split their time between Columbia and Charleston. She was a popular partner of the club's top players. May she rest in peace and perpetual light shine upon her.

Our Sumner party will be Thursday June 19. Social hour is 5:00, dinner 6:00 and bridge will be 7:00(ish). We're going to have a barbeque-Hamburgers and sides. The club will provide the burgers, please sign up at the club to bring appetizers, potatoe salad, chips, or dessert. We also need to know a head count so sign up on the separate list if you're coming. **The bridge is free.** The game will be an upgraded club championship with Open and 0-300 sections.

Dues are due! If you are one of the 152 already paid-great! If you are one of the 100 or so who have procrastinated-you're out of time-June 1 is the deadline. Get your dues in to any game director or mail to Mike Bitonti at 400 Fallen Leaf Drive, Columbia, 29229.

Thank-you to the players who expressed disappointment that I was the one who went home when we had 21 players for the Individual. Let me say a few words about why we have this event every month. First it is a good mixer. Wish we could mix a few more A players in for the experience but that's a function of the format-everyone plays Yellow Card. You see the Soduku, the Jumble, the crossword in the morning paper. Do these for a while and you get better and better at them. This is the bridge equivalent-reasoning and judging with a minimum of input.

We hope this skill carries over to your other games. "A" players have gotten away from that-a lot of them rely on systems and conventions to do the work for them. I don't do that well in this event. I believe it was the prospect of 4 boards against me rather than missing 2 boards as my partner that disappointed. With that, here are the winners of this month's Individual:

1) **Carolyn Cromer**, Bob Webb, Chuck Kennedy, Barbara Cathy, Abduhl Ghaffar, Lewis Cromer, Burton Case, Tom Gabriel, Kathy Kimmerling, Cathy Chiles, Jim Bass.

The points Cup races run with the club year, from June 1 through May 31 the following year. Here is an update as of May 20-almost over. The current standings:

Sol Lourie (Open) 1) Patrick Lauterbach (254.28) 2 Bob Webb (203.31) 3) Pat Webb 199.55
4) Joyce Lauterbach 193.12 5) Jay Shahani 174.56 6) Jack Self 144.87 7) Ken Fasching 126.08
8) Zan Edmunds 116.66 9) Brent Holcomb 115.79 10) Mary Townhill 115.08 Al Kirkland 108

Henry Mills (0-2000 MP)		Coleman Farrell Non-Life		Centurion Cup (0-100)	
1) Jay Shahani	174.56	Belford Cross	100.05	Sue Hopke	51.85
2) Jack Self	144.87	Bruce Kenner	69.36	Sally McCardle	34.58
3) Zan Edmunds	116.66	Greg Garrison	69.25	Dot Jones	29.35
4) Brent Holcomb	115.79	Jerry Love	67.47	Shelby King	29.30
5) Mary Townhill	115.89	Sue Hopke	51.85	Burton Case	28.11
6) Al Kirkland	108.98	Helen Young	47.18	Beth McMaster	26.73
7) Jim Chianelli	100.42	Lauren Alexander	46.40	Clarence Hopke	25.50
8) Belford Cross	100.05	Diane Ellis	45.94	Kathy Kimmerling	23.96
9) Scott Dunn	99.10	Roy McCrorey	45.42	Suzy Weisman	22.54
10) Jack Wilkinson	93.28	Karen Faulkenberry	39.77	Hillary McDonald	22.09

Manager: "What's happening out there?"

Rocky: "He's winning. I see three of him."

Corner man: "Hit the one in the middle." (Good advice from movie Rocky 4)